Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—I do not think he has asked for permission for that. My information is that he is not a Director of the State-Aided Bank. The thing is he simply attended a few meetings of that bank, and it is only in his capacity as a shareholder and not as a Director.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—I think he is a Director of the State-Aided Bank.

President.—I know he used to attend the meetings of that bank. Unfortunately, he is absent.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—It is in the prospectus, and I am surprised that the Secretary does not know that. Was no inquiry made before this was tabled ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—From a letter from the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer, it is seen that he is a Director only of the Tropical Plantations, Ltd. In that it is found that he even thinks of resigning the same by December 1928.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know whether Mr. K. Achyuta Menon and Mr. U. Kandar Menon, who were Directors of some companies, were asked to resign ?

President.—My information is it is they who sought permission to resign, and Government gave them permission to do so.

Mental Hospital Building

44. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any damage was caused to the new building in the Mental Hospital in 1102 ; if so, the extent of the damage and the loss sustained by Government ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—No damage was caused to the building in 1102.

Unstamped teak logs at Parakkadvu.

45. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it has been brought to the notice of Mr. T Narayana Menon, Divisional Forest Officer, on his return from a visit to the Villikkamukku coupe in Chingam 1101 that unstamped teak logs were lying at Parakkadvu ;

(b) what was the report submitted by the Tanadar about the unstamped logs referred to in (a) ;

(c) what action was taken by the Divisional Forest Officer in the matter ;

(d) what are the statements recorded in this matter; what was the explanation of the Plantation Ranger ;

(e) how was the matter closed ?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) No.

(b), (c), (d) and (e). In view of the reply to (a) no answer is necessary.

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